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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 8141]

Notice of Meeting of the Cultural Property Advisory Committee

There will be a meeting of the Cultural Property Advisory Committee February 27-March 1, 2013, at the Department of State, Annex 5, 2200 C Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. Portions of this meeting will be closed to the public, as discussed below.

During the closed portion of the meeting, the Committee will review the proposal to extend the *Memorandum of Understanding Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Kingdom of Cambodia Concerning the Imposition of Import Restrictions on Archaeological Material from Cambodia from the Bronze Age Through the Khmer Era* (MOU) [Docket No. DOS-2012-0063]. An open session to receive oral public comment on this proposal will be held on Wednesday, February 27, 2013, beginning at 1:30 p.m. ET.

Also during the closed portion of the meeting, the Committee will conduct an interim review of the *Memorandum of Understanding Between*

the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Honduras Concerning the Imposition of Import Restrictions on Archaeological Material from the Pre-Columbian Cultures of Honduras.

Public comment, oral and written, will be invited at a time in the future should this Memorandum of Understanding be proposed for extension.

The Committee's responsibilities are carried out in accordance with provisions of the Convention on Cultural Property Implementation Act (19 U.S.C. §§ 2601 *et seq.*). The text of the Act and Memoranda of Understanding, as well as related information, may be found at <http://culturalheritage.state.gov>.

If you wish to attend the open session on February 27, 2013, you should notify the Cultural Heritage Center of the Department of State at (202) 632-6301 no later than 5:00 p.m. (ET) February 6, 2013, to arrange for admission. Seating is limited. When calling, please specify if you have special accommodation needs. The open session will be held at 2200 C St. NW, Washington, DC 20037. Please plan to arrive 15 minutes before the beginning of the open session.

If you wish to make an oral presentation at the open session, you must request to be scheduled and must submit a written text of your oral comments, ensuring that it is received no later than February 6, 2013, at 11:59 p.m. (ET), via the eRulemaking Portal (see below), to allow time for distribution to Committee members prior to the meeting. Oral comments will be limited to allow time for questions from members of the Committee. All oral and written comments must relate specifically to the determinations under 19 U.S.C. § 2602 of the Convention on Cultural Property Implementation Act, pursuant to which the Committee must make findings. This statute can be found at the website noted above.

If you do not wish to make oral comment, but still wish to make your views known, you may send written comments for the Committee to consider. Again, your comments must relate specifically to the determinations under 19 U.S.C. § 2602) of the Convention on Cultural Property Implementation Act. Submit all written materials electronically through the eRulemaking Portal (see below), ensuring that they are received no later than February 6, 2013 at 11:59 p.m. (ET). Our adoption of this procedure facilitates public participation, implements Section 206 of the E-Government Act of 2002, Pub. L. 107-347, 116 Stat. 2915, and supports the

Department of State's "Greening Diplomacy" initiative which aims to reduce the State Department's environmental footprint and reduce costs.

Confidential written comments: if you wish to submit information that is privileged or confidential in your comments, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. §2605(i)(1), do so via regular mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. Only confidential comments will be accepted via those methods.

As a general reminder, comments submitted by fax or e-mail are not accepted. In the past, twenty copies of texts over five pages in length were requested. Please note that this is no longer necessary; all comments, other than confidential comments, should now be submitted via the eRulemaking Portal only.

Please submit comments only once.

- *Electronic Delivery.* To submit comments electronically, go to the Federal eRulemaking Portal (<http://www.regulations.gov>), enter the Docket No. DOS-2012-0063 for Cambodia, and follow the prompts to submit a comment.
- Comments submitted in confidence only: *Regular Mail or Commercial Delivery.* Cultural Heritage Center (ECA/P/C), SA-5, Fifth Floor, Department of State, Washington, DC 20522-0505. *Hand Delivery.* Cultural Heritage Center (ECA/P/C), Department of State, 2200 C Street,

N.W., Washington, D.C. 20522-0505.

Are Comments Private? No. Comments submitted in electronic form will be posted on the site <http://www.regulations.gov>. Because the comments cannot be edited to remove any identifying or contact information, the Department of State cautions against including any information in an electronic submission that one does not want publicly disclosed (including trade secrets and commercial or financial information that is privileged or confidential pursuant to 19 U.S.C. §2605(i)(1)).

The Department of State requests that any party soliciting or aggregating comments received from other persons for submission to the Department of State inform those persons that the Department of State will not edit their comments to remove any identifying or contact information, and that they therefore should not include any information in their comments that they do not want publicly disclosed.

On Closed Meetings: As noted above, portions of the meeting will be closed pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552b(c)(9)(B) and 19 U.S.C. § 2605(h), the latter of which stipulates that “The provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act shall apply to the Cultural Property Advisory Committee except that the requirements of subsections (a) and (b) of section 10 and 11 of such Act (relating to open meetings, public notice, public participation,

and public availability of documents) shall not apply to the Committee, whenever and to the extent it is determined by the President or his designee that the disclosure of matters involved in the Committee's proceedings would compromise the government's negotiation objectives or bargaining positions on the negotiations of any agreement authorized by this title."

Pursuant to law, executive order, and delegation of authority, I have made such a determination.

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